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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF US-OWNED ZWEIBRUCKEN-HUTTENHEIM (Z-H)
PIPELINE SYSTEM TO NATO

SECDEF FOR OASD ISA, MR. MILLER, AND MRA&L, MR. SHARKEY;
JCS FOR LTGEN GREGG

REFS: A. ECJ4/7 8484 (DTG 221659Z MAY 78); B. USNATO 5756
(DTG 070756Z JUN 78); C. USNATO 6899 (DTG 141334Z JUL 78)
1. REF A REPORTED THAT THE CENTRAL EUROPE PIPELINE POLICY
COMMITTEE (CEPPC) HAD COMPLETED DELIBERATIONS ON THE TRANS-
FER OF THE SUBJECT SYSTEM AND AGREED IN PRINCIPLE "TO
ACCEPT THE US OFFER." REF B COMPLETED THE ANALYSIS OF THE
DECISION AND REQUESTED EXPEDITED US ACCEPTANCE OF THE CON-
DITIONS NEGOTIATED WITH NATO. REF C REPORTED THAT THE
FRENCH AND BELGIAN CONFIRMATIONS HAD BEEN GIVEN TO THE
LAST CONTENTIOUS ISSUES. HENCE, THE TRANSFER NEEDED ONLY
US CONFIRMATION TO BECOME A FACT.

2. GIVEN THE RELATIVE SPEED WITH WHICH NATO MACHINERY HAS
MOVED IN ITS EFFORT TO ACCOMMODATE THE US REQUEST TO TAKE
OVER THE Z-H PIPELINE, WE BELIEVE THAT A US DECISION SHOULD
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BE EXPEDITED. IN ANY CASE, THIS ISSUE IS CERTAIN TO BE
RAISED DURING THE CEPPC MEETING 21-22 SEPTEMBER, AND
MISSION SHOULD BE PREPARED TO SUPPLY AT LEAST AN INTERIM
POSITION.

3. REQUEST GUIDANCE BY 20 SEPTEMBER 78.BENNETT

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